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INTERIOR APPORTIONS MORE FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION FUNDS TO STATES

Distribution of an additional \$6,950,000 to States for restoration of fish and wildlife projects for the year ending June 30, 1962, was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall. This brings to \$19,800,000 the total to be apportioned, since \$12,850,000 was allotted on a preliminary basis last July 1 for State fish and wildlife projects.

Of the \$19,800,000, a total of \$14,000,000 is for State and territorial areas for restoration of wildlife and \$5,800,000 for restoration of fish.

The fish and wildlife restoration funds come from Federal excise taxes collected from manufacturers, importers, and producers of certain types of hunting and fishing equipment.

Money is apportioned under formulas prescribed by Federal laws. For wildlife restoration, one-half is divided among the States according to area and one-half on the basis of paid license holders in each State during the fiscal year. Money for fish restoration is apportioned 40 percent on the basis of area and 60 percent on the basis of paid sport fishing license holders. The maximum apportionment to any State for either program is limited by law to five percent of the total, while the minimum apportionment for wildlife restoration is one-half percent, and for fish restoration, one percent.

This year, the maximum received by any State for restoration of wildlife is \$698,500; the minimum \$69,850. Alaska and Texas received the maximum amount; Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, and Vermont, the minimum. For the restoration of fish, the maximum is \$288,500 and the minimum is \$57,700. Alaska, California, Minnesota, and Texas received the maximum amount; Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Dakota, Rhode Island, Vermont, and West Virginia, the minimum.

Guam, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands each received \$10,000 for wildlife restoration programs and \$10,000 for fish restoration.

Federal Aid money is matched by the States on the basis of not to exceed 75 percent Federal to 25 percent State funds.

Federal Aid to Fish and Wildlife Restoration programs are administered by the Department's Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, Fish and Wildlife Service.

Apportionments to the 50 States for fiscal year 1962 for both fish and wildlife projects are listed on the attached table.

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APPORTIONMENT FOR FEDERAL AID IN FISH AND WILDLIFE RESTORATION
FISCAL YEAR 1962

	<u>FISH</u>	<u>WILDLIFE</u>
Alabama	\$ 96,041.97	\$ 253,430.84
Alaska	288,500.00	698,500.00
Arizona	107,712.29	300,728.12
Arkansas	102,415.44	217,719.77
California	288,500.00	625,102.50
* Colorado	134,194.02	* 351,704.87
Connecticut	57,700.00	69,850.00
Delaware	57,700.00	69,850.00
Florida	128,812.67	201,732.91
Georgia	116,995.84	233,767.36
Hawaii	57,700.00	69,850.00
Idaho	93,141.74	260,544.97
Illinois	151,356.36	346,453.34
Indiana	151,565.38	356,757.76
Iowa	100,567.44	269,761.37
Kansas	92,965.52	285,640.39
Kentucky	82,663.66	207,908.85
Louisiana	63,079.57	232,861.09
Maine	60,314.79	154,103.06
Maryland	57,700.00	92,876.13
Massachusetts	57,700.00	72,794.80
* Michigan	222,994.82	* 526,987.37
* Minnesota	288,500.00	* 389,911.94
Mississippi	77,775.22	194,242.61
Missouri	155,111.63	321,124.20
Montana	136,013.76	419,995.51
Nebraska	83,265.23	254,843.26
Nevada	80,775.51	264,021.60
New Hampshire	57,700.00	69,850.00
New Jersey	57,700.00	92,893.40
New Mexico	102,763.84	318,624.83
New York	157,771.27	392,241.18
North Carolina	89,800.82	288,219.25
North Dakota	57,700.00	190,220.66
Ohio	163,773.47	390,308.33
Oklahoma	122,827.03	249,340.13
Oregon	119,848.78	346,583.19
Pennsylvania	131,508.78	541,196.53
Rhode Island	57,700.00	69,850.00
South Carolina	61,557.01	142,120.45
South Dakota	73,841.02	251,012.96
Tennessee	135,762.34	282,798.46
Texas	288,500.00	698,500.00
Utah	86,040.04	271,125.42
Vermont	57,700.00	69,850.00
Virginia	86,446.26	271,253.40
Washington	107,680.39	276,716.50
West Virginia	57,700.00	152,147.20
* Wisconsin	214,086.53	* 344,292.47
Wyoming	89,829.56	263,242.55

* Portion of funds in the aggregate sum of \$254,548.47 temporarily withheld pending receipt of acceptable certification of paid hunting license holders.